



PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

**FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT**

**Community Recognition Statement**

17 September 2020

**JOANNA BAILEY**

**Ms SONIA HORNER ( Wallsend ) :**

At the height of the COVID-19 pandemic in March, I put out the call for community volunteers to help some of our local residents who were in the high risk categories who needed assistance with things like groceries or paying bills.

One of the dozens of people who answered that call was Joanna Bailey, a Maryland local.

Joanna is a mother of five children, works full time and studies at Newcastle University. Joanna and her family live by the motto always looking out for other people when you can, not just yourself. She just wanted to help out where she could.

Joanna helped out one of Wallsend's elderly citizens, Dorothy. She did the shopping for Dorothy, collecting groceries, paying her bills and making sure she was okay throughout her period of isolation.

Joanna and Dorothy formed a great friendship and I know Dorothy was very appreciative of Joanna's assistance.

Thank you Joanna for all your efforts in caring for our community.